# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# **FISCAL NOTE**



HB 1500 - SB 2222

January 27, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes a new Class A misdemeanor for attorneys knowingly making a false statement of fact or law or submits a false document to the court or party with the intent to deceive the court or a party in a civil or criminal proceeding.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- The bill establishes a new misdemeanor for any attorney to knowingly make a false statement or submit a false document to a court or any party to a proceeding.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- It is assumed that the courts, district attorneys, and public defenders can handle any impact within their existing resources.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts, the District Attorneys General Conference, and the District Public Defenders Conference confirm that they can handle any impact of the bill within existing resources.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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